Women

Definition: Women before, during, and beyond pregnancy and across their life course.

Statewide Survey

Needs

Out of 4,026 responses, women shared the following about their own health needs:

Mental Health	1,593
Physical Wellness	1,197
Sleep	995
Chronic Physical Conditions	873
Dental/Oral Health	721
Sexual Health	712
Pregnancy-Related Care	615
Nutrition and/or Physical Activity	591
Breastfeeding	563
Nicotine Use	169
Trauma or Violence	150
Physical Injury	106
Drug Use	66
Alcohol Use	40
STDs	29
Acute Physical Conditions	15
Other Health Needs	9
No Health Needs	588

Barriers

Other Priorities	1,007
Income/Employment	861
Affordable Healthcare	822
Health Insurance Coverage	638
Provider Interactions	570

Resources

Family and/or Friends	1,592
Doctors	1,230
Internet	1,070
Community Organizations	469

Facts & Focus Groups

Needs from Secondary Data



25% of Indiana women have had a depressive disorder (including depression, major depression, dysthymia, or minor depression) (BRFSS, 2018).



82% of Indiana women had visited a doctor for a routine check-up within the past year before the BRFSS 2018 survey. This percent was higher for women 45 and older (88%) compared to women 18-44 years old (75%). Rates were also higher for Black women (90%) compared to White women (82%) (ISDH analysis of BRFSS, 2018).



Only 60% of women receive optimal sleep each night (7-9 hours). White women (62%) have a higher percent of optimal sleep than Black women (51%). (BRFSS, 2018)



Indiana's infant mortality rate is 6.8 (per 1,000 live births), and this is much higher for Black mothers (13) (MCH analysis of Vital Records, 2018).



98% of Indiana mothers said, "I breastfed my baby," while they were in the hospital when their baby was born (PRAMS, 2017*).

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Barriers from Focus Groups

Women shared that their top barriers included prior negative interactions with healthcare providers, a lack of local providers/services, and policies (e.g., childcare voucher policies, limited employer paid family leave).

"I think that's across the board, that women are not listened to. They're not heard with their struggles."

Resources from Focus Groups

Supports that women used included health-related programs and resources (e.g., car seat programs) and healthcare workers, including lactation consultants, nurses, pharmacists, and doctors.

"They have really good lactation consultants... If you breastfeed and you're worried that you're not making enough, they'll do weighted feeds."

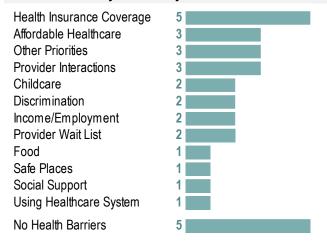
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^{**}Overall Barriers and Resources counts include responses for all needs other than Pregnancy Care and Breastfeeding, which received separate questions.

Acute Physical Conditions

Definition: Non-chronic physical health needs (e.g., ear infection, constipation, flu).

Statewide Survey: Acute Physical Conditions Barriers



Focus Group Quotes

"It is very frustrating when you have doctors that are local or a specialist that might be local and then to hear, 'Oh, well we don't take your insurance.'" – Barrier: Health Insurance Coverage

"I feel there should be more help to buy medicine. If you don't have insurance, you literally have to pay the whole price." – Barrier: Affordable Healthcare

"Sometimes, because of my son, I try to do things pretty fast and I forget about myself [and] the last thing I think of in the day is myself." – Barrier: Other Priorities

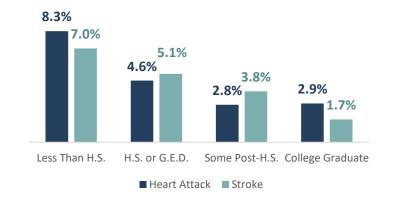
"That happens so much in Native and Latino communities and I'm sure that it happens in the Black community as well, but I'm to the point where Natives and Latinos hardly ever go to the doctor because they know they're not going to be listened to anyway." – Barrier: Provider Interactions

Note: These are the top barriers for respondents that included Acute Physical Conditions as a need/challenge. Barriers are not exclusive to Acute Physical Conditions.

Quick Facts

- of women in Indiana have ever been told by a health professional that they had a heart attack (also called a myocardial infarction). This percent is lower for women 18-44 years old (2%) compared to women 45 years or older (6%) (BRFSS, 2018).
- of Black women in Indiana have ever been told by a health professional that they had a heart attack, compared to 4% of White women (BRFSS, 2018).
- of women in Indiana have ever been told by a health professional that they had a stroke. This percent is lower for women 18-44 years old (1%) compared to women 45 years or older (7%) (BRFSS, 2018).
- of Black women in Indiana have ever been told by a health professional that they had a stroke, compared to 4% of White women (BRFSS, 2018).

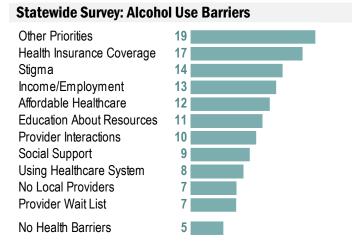
The percentage of women in Indiana who have ever had a **heart attack** or **stroke** is higher for those with lower levels of educational attainment.



Data Source: Behavior Risk Factor Surveillance System, 2018

Alcohol Use

Definition: Alcohol use, including alcohol addiction or dependency.



Focus Group Quotes

"One of the biggest battles I'm fighting right now is trying to get services for [women] who are looking to battle alcoholism and addiction." – Alcohol Use

"I feel like there's not a priority because we're still young. It's that invincible thing. Nothing bad is going to happen to me." – Barrier: Other Priorities

"I've seen a lot of young women that go in for treatment, but the insurance won't pay after the four or five days of [treatment]... The insurance won't pay for them to go to the next step." – Barrier: Health Insurance Coverage

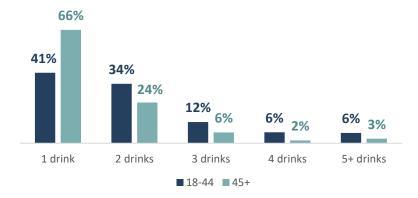
"I can't afford the copays and deductibles." - Barrier: Affordable Healthcare

Note: These are the top barriers for respondents that included Alcohol Use as a need/challenge. Barriers are not exclusive to Alcohol Use.

Quick Facts

- of women in Indiana did not have a drink (beer, wine, liquor) during the past 30 days before the BRFSS 2018 survey (BRFSS, 2018).
- of women in Indiana who drank (beer, wine, liquor) during the past 30 days had an average of 1-2 drinks each time they drank (BRFSS, 2018).
- of women in Indiana engaged in binge drinking in 2018, compared to 11% in 2017, 12% in 2016, and 10% in 2015 (ISDH analysis of BRFSS, 2015-2018).
- of *Black* women in Indiana engaged in binge drinking in 2018, compared to 10% of White women (ISDH analysis of BRFSS, 2018).
- of women in Indiana reported drinking and driving in 2018, compared to 3.5% of women in 2016 (ISDH analysis of BRFSS, 2016 & 2018).

Of women who drank in the 30 days before the BRFSS survey, on average, most women had 1 drink (beer, wine, liquor). Women **18-44 years old** had higher rates of drinking more, when compared to women **45 years or older**.

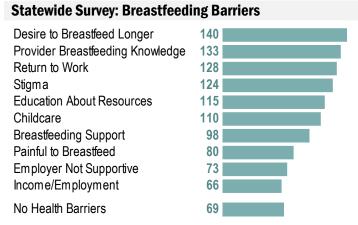


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Breastfeeding

Definition: Breastfeeding needs, including education and support for new mothers.



Focus Group Quotes

"I spilled my baby's breast milk. I was trying to figure out this whole breastfeeding thing. I was stressed because she wasn't latching." — **Breastfeeding**

"It wasn't going well when I first started. I [now] know my kid had a tongue-tie but... I think that's my biggest struggle as a mom is that I didn't know and went too long of a time without recognizing it." — Breastfeeding

"There's just not enough education about where to get services. That's what happened with my baby's tongue-tie was that the doctor was not educated about it and she was an old school. Yeah. He was 21 months old before we got his tongue-tie fixed because we didn't know he had it." – Barrier: Provider Breastfeeding Knowledge

Note: These are the top barriers for respondents that identified Breastfeeding as a need/challenge. These barriers are specific to Breastfeeding.

Quick Facts

of Indiana mothers said, "I breastfed my baby," while they were in the hospital when their baby was born (PRAMS, 2017*).

of Indiana mothers said, "hospital staff gave me information about breastfeeding," while they were in the hospital when their baby was born (PRAMS, 2017*).

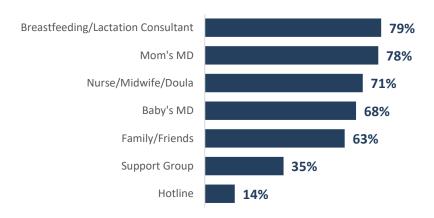
of Indiana mothers said, "I thought I was not producing enough milk, or my milk dried up," as a reason why they stopped breastfeeding (PRAMS, 2017*).

of Indiana's infants were ever breastfed, compared to 84% in the US (National Immunization Survey, 2016).

of Indiana's infants were breastfed exclusively, compared to 25% in the US (National Immunization Survey, 2016).

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Before or after their baby was born, mothers reported **receiving information about breastfeeding** from the following sources:



Data Source: Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System, 2017*

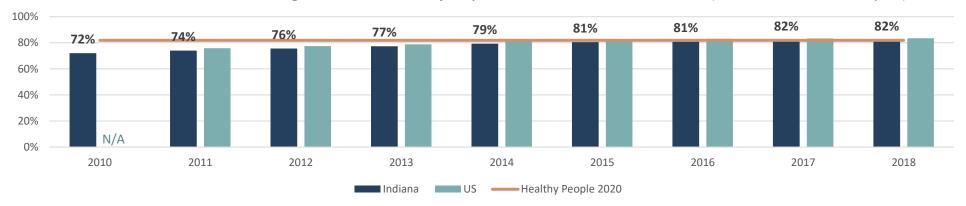
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Definition: Breastfeeding needs, including education and support for new mothers.

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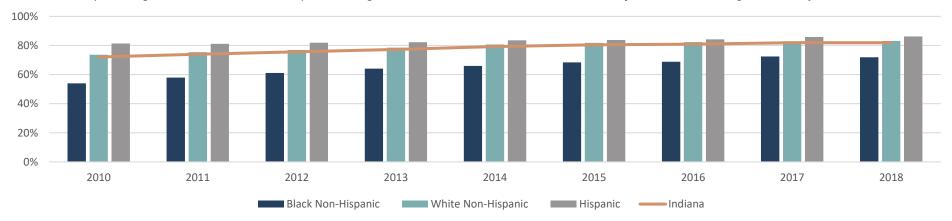
The percentage of infants breastfed at hospital discharge for Indiana has increased since 2010.

Indiana is still below the National Average but has met the Healthy People 2020 Goal of 81.9% in 2017 and 2018 (Indiana was at 81.9% in both years).



Data Source: MCH analysis of Vital Records and CDC National Center for Health Statistics, 2010-2018

The percentage of infants breastfed at hospital discharge for Indiana is the lowest for Black Non-Hispanic babies and highest for Hispanic babies.

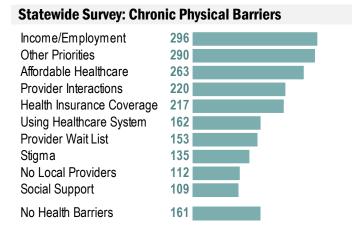


Data Source: MCH analysis of Vital Records, 2010-2018

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Chronic Physical Conditions

Definition: Longer-term physical conditions, such as chronic pain, diabetes, cancer, allergies, asthma, chronic ear infections, or sleep apnea.



Focus Group Quotes

"I've had stomach issues for about 3-5 years now and nobody can figure out what's wrong with me. I get real sick, my potassium bottoms out, nobody's been able to, stayed in the hospital, nobody can figure it out." — Chronic Physical Conditions

"Some of [my health issues come] because I have Celiac's and I'm trying very hard to do the gluten free thing." – Chronic Physical Conditions

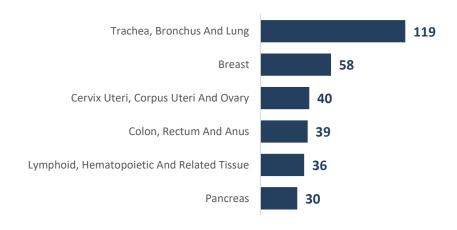
"I'm like, 'I can't pay my bills. How am I supposed to have extra money to drive over a half hour to the closest [provider]?" – Barrier: Income/Employment

Note: These are the top barriers for respondents that included Chronic Physical Conditions as a need/challenge. Barriers are not exclusive to Chronic Physical Conditions.

Quick Facts

- of women in Indiana have been told by a health professional that they had asthma. This percent is higher for women 18-44 years old (19%), compared to women 45 years or older (16%) (BRFSS, 2018).
- of women of childbearing age (18-44 years old) reported having been diagnosed with cancer, compared to 14% for women 45 years or older (ISDH analysis of BRFSS, 2018).
- of female cancer survivors survived skin cancer, followed by breast cancer (26%), and cervical cancer (14%) in 2018. This pattern was also true for 2016 and 2017 (ISDH analysis of BRFSS, 2016-2018).
- of women in Indiana said that they had health insurance that paid for all or part of their cancer treatment (BRFSS, 2018).
- of Indiana women are obese. A higher percent of Black women (47%) are obese compared to White (33%) and Hispanic (38%) women. A lower percent of women 18-49 years old (33%) are obese compared to women 50 years or older (36%) (ISDH analysis of BRFSS, 2018).

The leading types of **cancer-related deaths** for women 45+ years old. (Data below are the death rate per 100,000 women 45+ years old.)



Data Source: ISDH Epidemiology Resource Center, 2015-2018

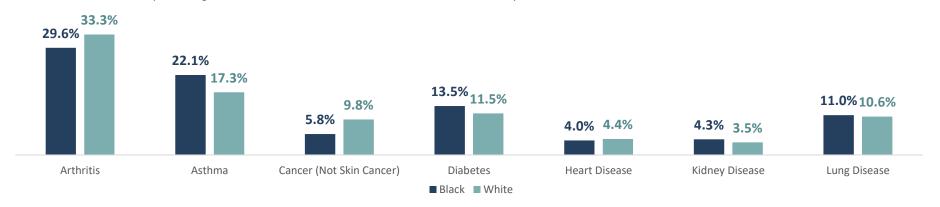
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Chronic Physical Conditions *(continued)*

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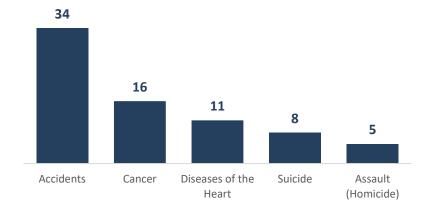
Quick Facts (continued)

The percentage of women in Indiana who have ever been told that they have a chronic disease for **Black** and **White** women.



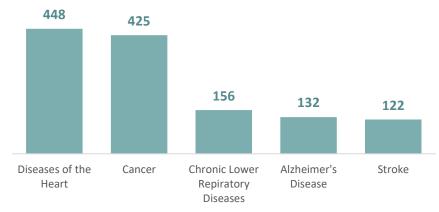
Data Source: Behavior Risk Factor Surveillance System, 2018

The leading causes of death for Indiana women **18-45 years old** include **cancer** (all forms of cancer) and **diseases of the heart**. (Death rate per 100,000 women.)



Data Source: ISDH Epidemiology Resource Center, 2015-2018

The leading causes of death for Indiana women 45+ years old are diseases of the heart, cancer (all forms of cancer), chronic lower respiratory diseases, and Alzheimer's Disease. (Death rate per 100,000 women.)

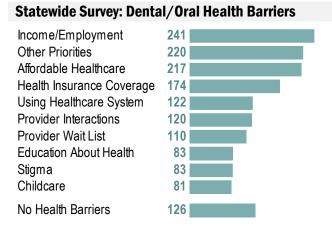


Data Source: ISDH Epidemiology Resource Center, 2015-2018

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Dental/Oral Health

Definition: Oral health needs, including regular check-ups and dental surgery.



Focus Group Quotes

"I went to the dentist for the first time in my life this year when I got Medicaid. No cavities or anything. I'm lucky." – Dental/Oral Health

"Not having money [is a challenge]." - Barrier: Income/Employment

"You're doing so much, you don't get to fix healthy foods because it's whatever's fastest to get done, so you can get whatever you need done." – Barrier: Other Priorities

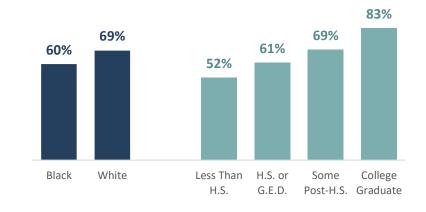
"I have a tooth that I have to get worked on... [and] I can't afford the deductible to even get it pulled at this point." – Barrier: Affordable Healthcare

Note: These are the top barriers for respondents that included Dental/Oral Health as a need/challenge. Barriers are not exclusive to Dental/Oral Health.

Quick Facts

- of Indiana women had been to the dentist within the 12 months before the BRFSS 2018 survey. This percent was similar for women 18-44 years old (68%) and women 45 years or older (69%) (BRFSS, 2018).
- of Indiana women had *not* been to the dentist within the past 5 years before the BRFSS 2018 survey. This percent was lower for women 18-44 years old (8%), compared to women 45 years or older (14%) (BRFSS, 2018).
- of Indiana women have had at least one tooth removed because of tooth decay or gum disease. This was lower for women 18-44 years old (29%), compared to women 45 years or older (60%) (BRFSS, 2018).
- of women in Indiana had a preventative dental visit during their pregnancy. This percent is lowest for Hispanic mothers (40%), compared to Black Non-Hispanic (57%) and White Non-Hispanic (61%) mothers (PRAMS, 2017*).
- of pregnant Indiana women served by Head Start's EHS programs received a professional dental examination and/or treatment within the past year (Office of Head Start PIR Summary Report, 2018).

The percentage of Indiana women who had been to the dentist within the 12 months before the BRFSS 2018 survey. Rates are *higher* for **White** women and women with a **College Degree**.



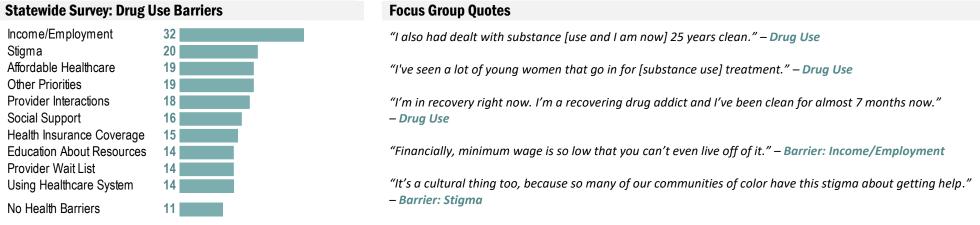
Data Source: Behavior Risk Factor Surveillance System, 2018

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Drug Use

Definition: Drug use, including addiction or dependency on prescriptions or other drugs.



Note: These are the top barriers for respondents that included Drug Use as a need/challenge. Barriers are not exclusive to Drug Use.

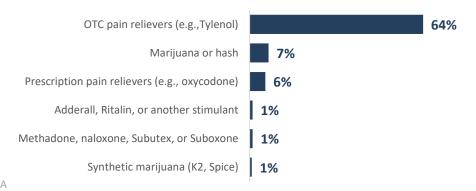
Quick Facts

Statistics for individuals who reported their substance use at the time they were admitted for substance abuse treatment:

- of Indiana women reported marijuana *use*, compared to 52% for Indiana men; 17% of Indiana women reported marijuana *dependence*.
- of Indiana women reported opioid *misuse*, compared to 17% for Indiana men; 12% of Indiana women reported opioid *dependence*.
- of Indiana women reported heroin *misuse*, compared to 20% for Indiana men; 20% of Indiana women reported heroin *dependence*.
- of Indiana women reported methamphetamine *misuse*, 13% reported cocaine misuse, and 2% reported prescription stimulant misuse.

[Treatment Episode Data Set (TEDS), Substance Abuse and Mental Health Data Archive [SAMHDA], 2020]. Data Source: The Consumption and Consequences of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Drugs in Indiana: A State Epidemiological Profile, 2019

During Indiana women's most recent pregnancy, they reported taking the following **drugs**.



Data Source: Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System, 2017*
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Drug Use (continued)

Definition: Drug use, including addiction or dependency on prescriptions or other drugs.

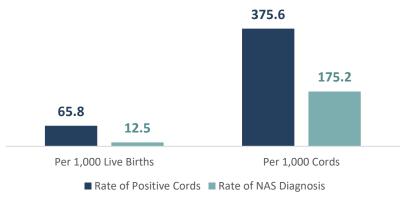
Quick Facts (continued) - Drug Use in Hospitals Participating in the Perinatal Substance Use Collaborative, Jan 2017-Dec 2019

Out of all the births in participating hospitals, 19% of the mother-baby umbilical cords were tested. Of those that were tested, 38% tested positive, and 18% of the positive cords received a Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome (NAS) diagnosis.



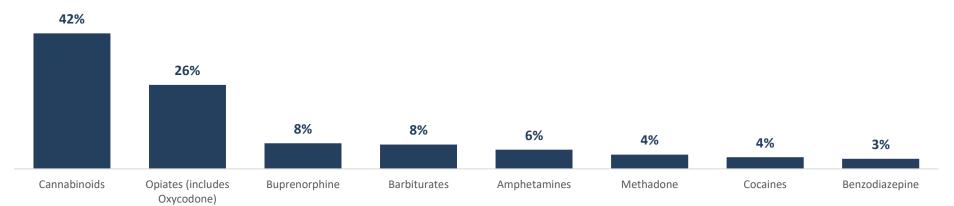
Data Source: ISDH Perinatal Substance Use Collaborative, January 2017 – December 2019

The rates of **positive cords** and rates of **Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome**(NAS) diagnoses for participating hospitals.



Data Source: ISDH Perinatal Substance Use Collaborative, January 2017 – December 2019

Of the positive cords tested in participating Indiana hospitals, cannabinoids and opiates were the most common **substances found**. For these cords, 83% contained one substance, 14% contained two substances, and 3% contained three or more substances.

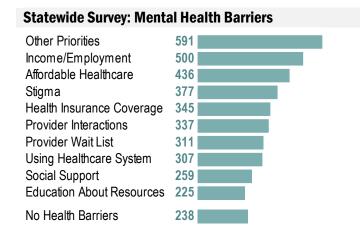


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* Fentanyl and Ethyl Glucuronide were removed due to inconsistencies in reporting.

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Mental Health

Definition: Mental health needs, including depression, anxiety, or other conditions.



Focus Group Quotes

"In my past I suffered from depression." - Mental Health

"I didn't know [until] I was 8 months post-partum with him that I had severe post-partum depression. I remember thinking, 'no one cries all the time?'" – Mental Health

"I'm like, 'I can't pay my bills. How am I supposed to have extra money to drive over a half hour to the closest [provider]?" – Barrier: Income/Employment

"It's a cultural thing too, because so many of our communities of color have this stigma about getting help when it comes to mental health or behavioral health." – Barrier: Stigma

"A lot of times in our community, mental health is frowned upon." - Barrier: Stigma

Note: These are the top barriers for respondents that included Mental Health as a need/challenge. Barriers are not exclusive to Mental Health.

Quick Facts

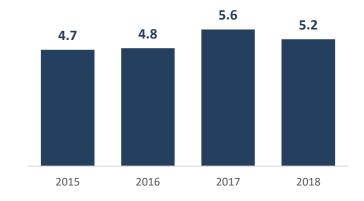
days (on average) out of the past 30 days (before the BRFSS survey), women said their mental health was not good. This was higher for women 18-44 years old (6.2) than for women 45 years or older (4.4) (ISDH analysis of BRFSS, 2018).

of Indiana women said that their mental health (including stress, depression, emotional problems) was not good for 3 or more days in the 30 days before the BRFSS 2018 survey (BRFSS, 2018).

of Indiana women 18-44 years old said that their mental health (including stress, depression, emotional problems) was not good for 3 or more days in the 30 days before the BRFSS 2018 survey, compared to 25% for women 45 years or older (BRFSS, 2018).

of Indiana women have had a depressive disorder (including depression, major depression, dysthymia, or minor depression). This is higher for women 18-44 years old (29%) than for women 45 years or older (21%) (BRFSS, 2018).

The average number of days in the 30 days before the BRFSS 2018 survey during which women said their **mental health was not good**.



Data Source: ISDH analysis of Behavior Risk Factor Surveillance System, 2015-2018

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Mental Health (continued)

Definition: Mental health needs, including depression, anxiety, or other conditions.

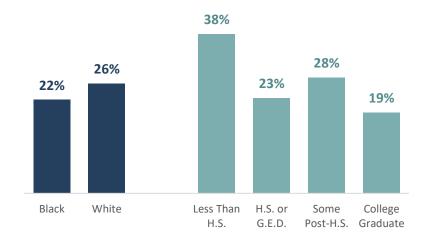
Quick Facts (continued)

The frequency of days in the 30 days before the BRFSS 2018 survey during which women said their mental health was not good for **Black** and **White** women.

16% 10% 13% 13% 12% 13% 8% 8% None 1-2 days 3-7 days Black ■ White

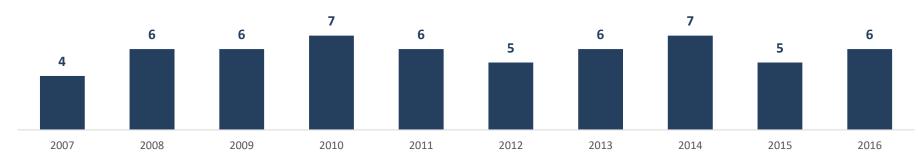
Data Source: Behavior Risk Factor Surveillance System, 2018

The percentage of women who have had a depressive disorder is higher for **White** women and women with **less than a high school degree**.



Data Source: Behavior Risk Factor Surveillance System, 2018

Suicide rates for Marion County women per 100,000.

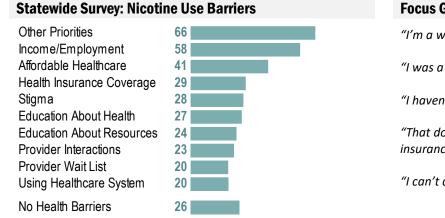


Data Source: Marion Co. Death Certificates DR3503, 2007-2016

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Nicotine Use

Definition: Nicotine use, including cigarettes, vaping, e-cigarettes, or Juul.



Focus Group Quotes

"I'm a week away from not smoking for a whole year." - Nicotine Use

"I was a smoker for 10+ years before I got pregnant." - Nicotine Use

"I haven't had the time." - Barrier: Other Priorities

"That doctor's office wouldn't even see me anymore because I couldn't pay what I owed them, and the insurance wouldn't cover it." – Barrier: Income/Employment

"I can't afford the copays and deductibles." – Barrier: Affordable Healthcare

Note: These are the top barriers for respondents that included Nicotine Use as a need/challenge. Barriers are not exclusive to Nicotine Use.

Quick Facts

of Indiana women have smoked at least 100 cigarettes in their life. White women (43%) have a higher percent of having smoked at least 100 cigarettes than Black women (26%) (BRFSS, 2018).

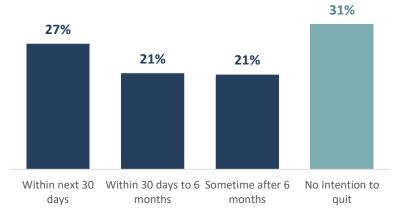
of Indiana women smoke cigarettes every day. White women (36%) have a higher percent of currently smoking than Black women (21%). Women 18-44 years old have a higher percent of currently smoking (43%) than women 45 years or older (27%) (BRFSS, 2018).

of Indiana women have ever smoked an e-cigarette or other electronic vaping product. White women (26%) have a higher percent of having smoked than Black women (18%) (BRFSS, 2018).

of Indiana women currently smoke an e-cigarette or other electronic vaping product every day (BRFSS, 2018).

of Indiana mothers *on Medicaid* self-reported smoking during pregnancy in 2018, compared to 12% of all Indiana mothers who smoked during pregnancy (MCH analysis of Vital Records, 2018).

Intentions to quit smoking among current women smokers is roughly divided up into quarters, with 31% of women having **no intention to quit**.



Data Source: Indiana Adult Tobacco Survey, 2019. Data found in The Consumption and Consequences of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Drugs in Indiana: A State Epidemiological Profile, 2019

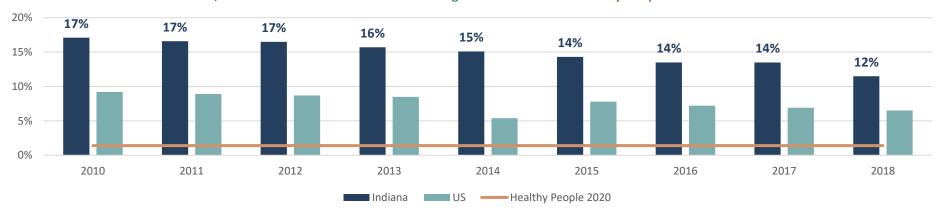
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Nicotine Use *(continued)*

Definition: Nicotine use, including cigarettes, vaping, e-cigarettes, or Juul.

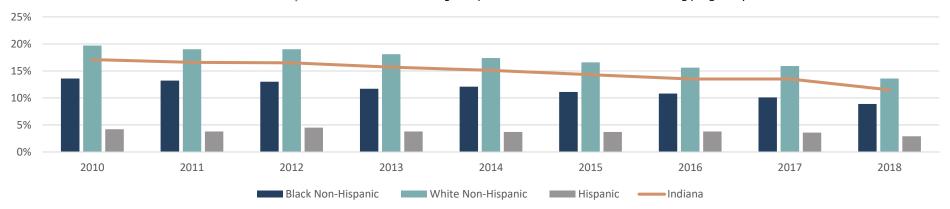
Quick Facts (continued)

The percentage of women who smoked during pregnancy in **Indiana** has *decreased* since 2010. However, **Indiana** is still *above* the **National Average** and *well above* the **Healthy People 2020 Goal of 1.4%**.



Data Source: MCH analysis of Vital Records and CDC National Center for Health Statistics, 2010-2018

The percentage of women who smoked during pregnancy in **Indiana** is the *lowest* for **Hispanic mothers**. **White Non-Hispanic mothers** have the *highest* percent of women who smoked during pregnancy.

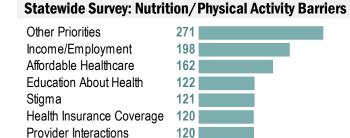


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Nutrition and/or Physical Activity

Definition: Physical needs related to health, including a lack of proper nutrition and lack of physical activity.



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Focus Group Quotes

"Trying to just be healthy. Because you're doing so much, you don't get to fix healthy foods because it's whatever's fastest to get done, so you can get whatever you need done." — Nutrition

"I would love to exercise but I haven't had time." - Barrier: Other Priorities

"At the time I had no money, no resources." - Barrier: Income/Employment

"Maybe we need to have somebody that knows how to can that can hold classes to show how to can vegetables or fruit the right way." – Barrier: Education About Health

Note: These are the top barriers for respondents that included Nutrition and/or Physical Activity as a need/challenge. Barriers are not exclusive to Nutrition and/or Physical Activity.

Quick Facts

Social Support

No Health Barriers

Using Healthcare System

Education About Resources

of Indiana women are obese, and another 29% of women are overweight. For women 18-49 years old, 33% are obese and 26% are overweight (ISDH analysis of BRFSS, 2018).

of *Black* Indiana women are obese, which is a higher percent than White women (33%) and Hispanic women (38%) (ISDH analysis of BRFSS, 2018).

of *Black* Indiana women are overweight, which is a slightly higher percent than White women (29%) and Hispanic women (28%) (ISDH analysis of BRFSS, 2018).

of Indiana women engaged in physical activity or exercise in the last 30 days. A higher percent of women with a college degree (84%) engaged in physical exercise compared to women with some college (76%), a high school diploma (60%), and less than a high school diploma (51%) (ISDH analysis of BRFSS, 2018).

The percentage of women who are **overweight** has decreased slightly while the percentage of women who are **obese** has increased slightly since 2015.

(Overweight and obese categories are mutually exclusive)

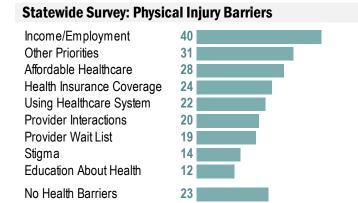


Data Source: ISDH analysis of Behavior Risk Factor Surveillance System, 2015-2018

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Physical Injury

Definition: Physical injury, such as from a car or workplace accident.



Focus Group Quotes

"[Our] mother-in-law was in a car wreck." - Physical Injury

"Not having money [is a challenge]." - Barrier: Income/Employment

"I haven't had the time." - Barrier: Other Priorities

"I feel there should be more help to buy medicine. If you don't have insurance, you literally have to pay the whole price." – Barrier: Affordable Healthcare

"It is very frustrating when you have doctors that are local or a specialist that might be local and then to hear, 'Oh, well we don't take your insurance.'" — Barrier: Health Insurance Coverage

Note: These are the top barriers for respondents that included Physical Injury as a need/challenge. Barriers are not exclusive to Physical Injury.

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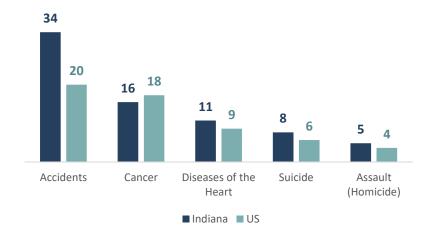
of accidental deaths among women of childbearing age came from accidental poisoning and exposure to noxious substances (ISDH Epidemiology Resource Center, 2015-2017).

of accidental deaths among women of childbearing age came from motor vehicle accidents (ISDH Epidemiology Resource Center, 2015-2017).

of Indiana women 45 years or older fell at least once in the 12 months before the BRFSS 2018 survey (BRFSS, 2018).

of Indiana women 45 years or older said that at least one of their falls caused an injury that limited their regular activities for at least a day (BRFSS, 2018).

Leading causes of death among women of childbearing age include accidents, suicide, and homicide (per 100,000 women).



Data Source: ISDH Epidemiology Resource Center, 2015-2017 Combined Data

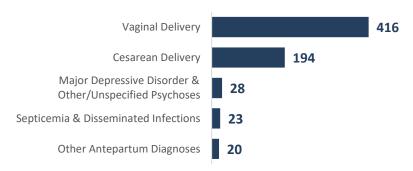
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Physical Injury (continued)

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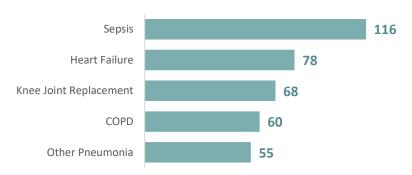
Quick Facts (continued)

Hospitalization rates among women 18-44 years old (per 10,000 women).



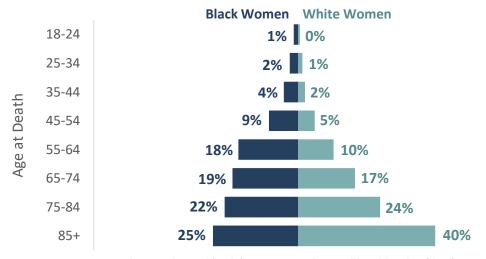
Data Source: ISDH Epidemiology Resource Center, 2018

Hospitalization rates among women 45 and older (per 10,000 women).



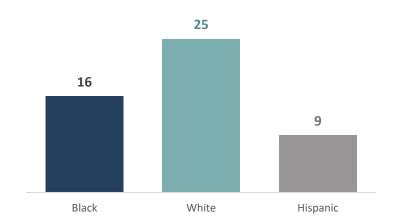
Data Source: ISDH Epidemiology Resource Center, 2018

The percentage of deaths by age at death shows that **White women** are living longer, and **Black women** are dying younger.



Data Source: ISDH Epidemiology Resource Center, 2015-2017 Combined Data

Accidental death rates from poisoning among women of childbearing age (per 100,000 women). White women have a *higher* rate of accidental poisoning than **Black women** or **Hispanic women**.

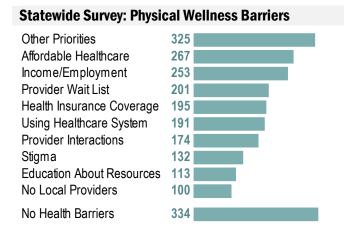


Data Source: ISDH Epidemiology Resource Center, 2015-2017 Combined Data

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Physical Wellness

Definition: Physical needs related to wellness, including well-visits or annual check-ups.



Focus Group Quotes

"I have never been able to get into a provider in a timely manner to establish care. That's happening again. I changed insurances because I changed employers a couple months ago and I lost my primary care physician because it was a clinic exclusive to my previous employer. It's taken me three months to get established with a primary care provider." — Physical Wellness

"I feel like there's not a priority because we're still young. It's that invincible thing." – Barrier: Other Priorities

"Financially, minimum wage is so low that you can't even live off of it." - Barrier: Income/Employment

"I can't afford the copays and deductibles." – Barrier: Affordable Healthcare

Note: These are the top barriers for respondents that included Physical Wellness as a need/challenge. Barriers are not exclusive to Physical Wellness.

Quick Facts

of Indiana women said that there were 3 or more days in the 30 days before the BRFSS 2018 survey during which their physical health was not good. This was higher for Black women (34%) than for White women (29%) (BRFSS, 2018).

of Indiana women have visited a doctor for a routine check-up within the past year before the BRFSS 2018 survey. This percent is higher for women 45 and older (88%) compared to women 18-44 years old (75%). This is also higher for Black women (90%) compared to White women (82%) (ISDH analysis of BRFSS, 2018).

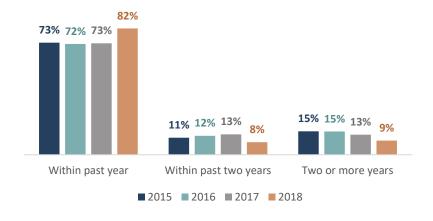
of Indiana women have ever had a mammogram. This is higher for White women (69%) than for Black women (66%) (ISDH analysis of BRFSS, 2018).

of Indiana women have ever had a pap test. This is higher for White women (92%) than for Black women (88%) (ISDH analysis of BRFSS, 2018).

of Indiana women have ever had a HPV test. This is higher for Black women (49%) than for White women (47%). This has also increased from 2016 (38%) (ISDH analysis of BRFSS, 2018).

The majority of women have had a routine check-up within the past year.

This percent has increased from 73% in 2015 to 82% in 2018.



Data Source: ISDH analysis of Behavior Risk Factor Surveillance System, 2015-2018

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Pregnancy-Related Care

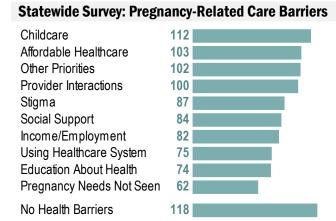
Definition: Care before, during, or after pregnancy.

Statewide Survey: In what areas did you not receive enough care around your pregnancy?

Before Pregnancy During Labor & Delivery Clear Provider Communication Mental Health Support 168 112 100 **Pregnancy Complications** Baby Care Education 79 Personal Support **Education About Pregnancy** 78 77 Family Planning Cesarean Section Prevention Education 17 Birth Plan Followed 61 Other During Delivery 5 Addiction Treatment 7 **Smoking Cessation** 5 None Selected 377 Other Before Pregnancy None or N/A 13 None Selected 355 None or N/A 12 **During Pregnancy After Pregnancy** Birth Planning Post-Partum Education 138 228 Mental Health (Post-Partum) 103 212 Exercising Baby Care Education Physical Recovery 95 174 Healthy Eating 83 **Breastfeeding Support** 140 **Pregnancy Complications** 79 123 Exercising Clear Provider Communication Healthy Eating 73 86 Mental Health (Trauma) **Education About Pregnancy** 68 79 38 Chronic Health Support Baby Care Education 78 Mental Health Support 8 Well-Woman Care 66 Addiction Treatment 5 Social Service Resources 49 Other During Pregnancy NICU Care 4 38 **Smoking Cessation** Family Planning 3 32 Other After Pregnancy 13 None Selected 302 Addiction Treatment 7 None or N/A 9 Overall Support 5 **Smoking Cessation** 2 None Selected 224 None or N/A 3

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Definition: Care before, during, or after pregnancy.



Focus Group Quotes

"All these moms here, if they live here, they have to go to other hospitals to deliver. We don't have in [our city] anywhere they can deliver." – **Pregnancy Care**

"I didn't know [until] I was 8 months post-partum with him that I had severe post-partum depression. I remember thinking, 'no one cries all the time?'" – **Pregnancy Care**

"We do have a growing number of physical therapists who can address pelvic floor issues post-partum." – **Pregnancy Care**

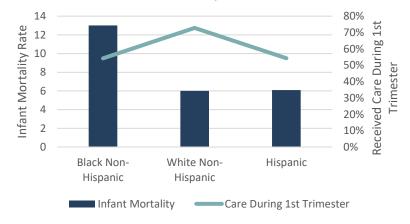
"Childcare. Finding childcare is very hard." - Barrier: Childcare

Note: These are the top barriers for respondents that identified Pregnancy-Related Care as a need/challenge. These barriers are specific to Pregnancy-Related Care.

Quick Facts

- of pregnant women in Indiana did *not* receive prenatal care in their first trimester (MCH analysis of Vital Records, 2018). When linking infant birth and death records, two out of every five babies who died did not receive early prenatal care (ISDH Linked Data, 2013-2017).
- of pregnant women in Indiana felt emotionally upset as a result of how they were treated based on their race (during the 12 months before their baby was born) (PRAMS, 2017*).
 - per 100,000 live births in Indiana result in maternal mortality, which is higher than the US maternal mortality rate (21) (IYI KIDS COUNT® Data Book, 2020).
 - per 1,000 live births in Indiana result in infant mortality, which is much higher for Black Non-Hispanic babies (13.0) (MCH analysis of Vital Records, 2018). When linking infant birth and death records, 70% of babies who died were preterm (<37 weeks) or had a low birthweight (<2500 g), 51% were born to a mother on Medicaid, and 22% were born to a mother who smoked during pregnancy (ISDH Linked Data, 2013-2017).

A larger percentage of White Non-Hispanic mothers received care during their first trimester, while Black Non-Hispanic mothers have the highest infant mortality rate.



Data Source: MCH analysis of Vital Records, 2018

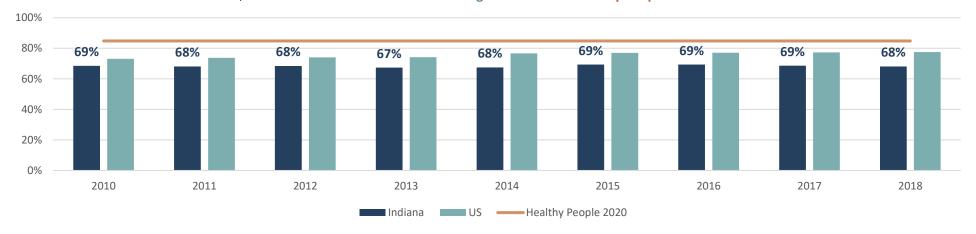
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Definition: Care before, during, or after pregnancy.

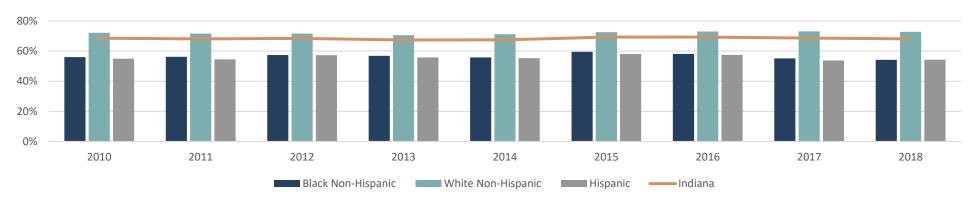
Quick Facts (continued) - Prenatal Care

The percentage of women who received prenatal care during their first trimester in **Indiana** has been relatively steady since 2010. However, **Indiana** is still *below* the **National Average** and *below* the **Healthy People 2020 Goal of 84.8%**.



Data Source: MCH analysis of Vital Records and CDC National Center for Health Statistics, 2010-2018

The percentage of women who received prenatal care during their first trimester in **Indiana** is the *highest* for **White Non-Hispanic mothers**.



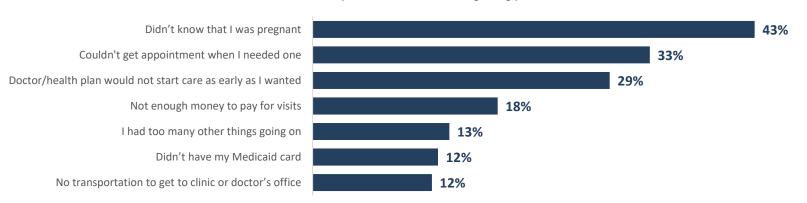
Data Source: MCH analysis of Vital Records, 2010-2018

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Definition: Care before, during, or after pregnancy.

Quick Facts (continued) - Prenatal Care

Situations that prevented women from getting prenatal care.

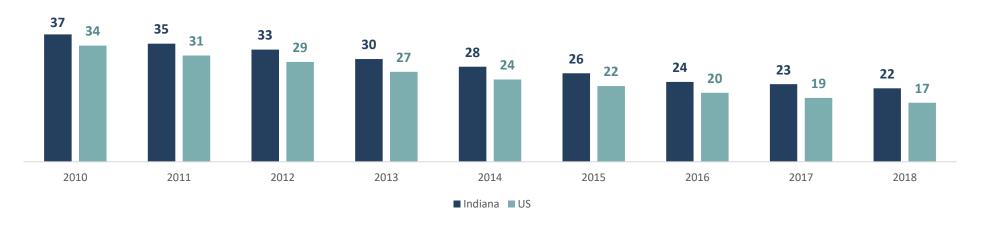


Data Source: Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System, 2017*

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Quick Facts (continued) - Teen Births

The birth rate for teenage mothers (15-19) is decreasing each year; however, Indiana remains higher than the US rate (per 1,000).



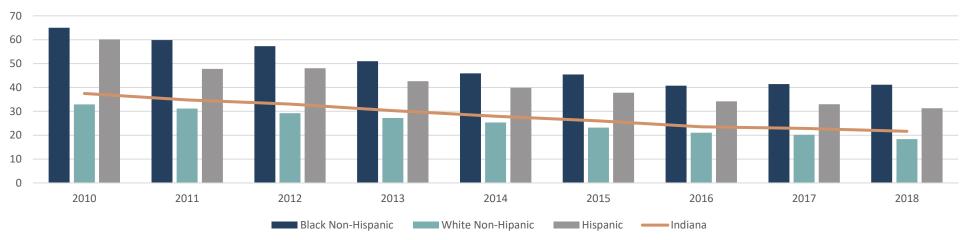
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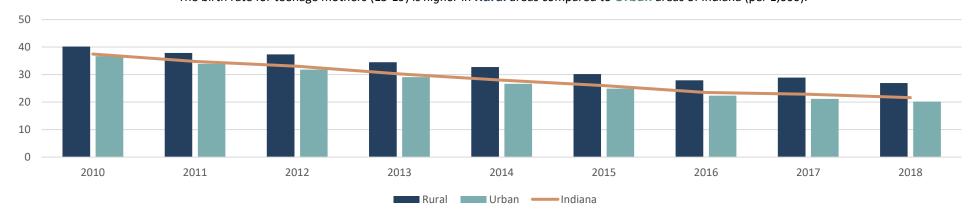
Quick Facts (continued) - Teen Births

The birth rate for teenage mothers (15-19) is higher for Black Non-Hispanic teens and Hispanic teens, compared to White Non-Hispanic teens (per 1,000).



Data Source: MCH analysis of Vital Records, 2010-2018

The birth rate for teenage mothers (15-19) is higher in Rural areas compared to Urban areas of Indiana (per 1,000).



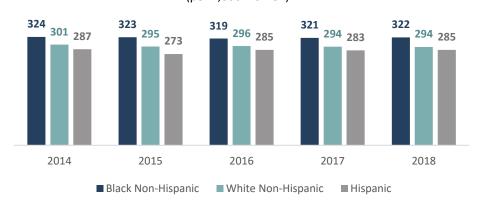
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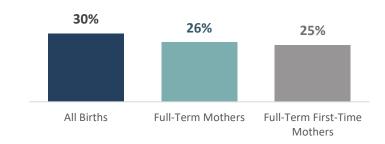
Quick Facts (continued) - Cesarean Births

Black Non-Hispanic mothers have the *highest* rate of cesarean births (per 1,000 women).



Data Source: MCH analysis of Vital Records, 2014-2018

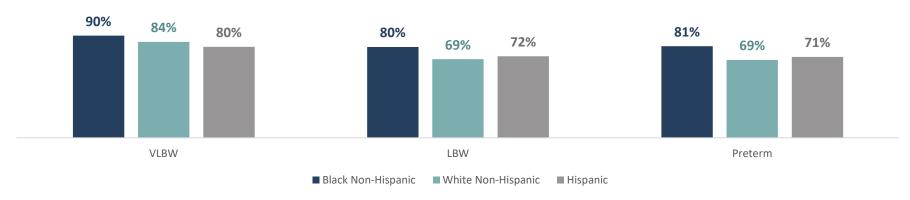
For all Indiana babies born, **30% are a cesarean birth**. For vertex presentation births (i.e., the baby is in the head down position needed for a vaginal delivery), around a quarter of **full-term mothers** (≥ 37 weeks) and **full-term first-time mothers** have a cesarean birth.



Data Source: MCH analysis of Vital Records, 2018
Data for full-term and full-term first-time mothers is specific to vertex presentation births.

Quick Facts (continued) - Risk-Appropriate Perinatal Care

Black Non-Hispanic mothers have the *highest* rates of very low birthweight (VLBW), low birthweight (LBW), and preterm births in a hospital with a Level III+ Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU).



Data Source: MCH analysis of Vital Records, 2018

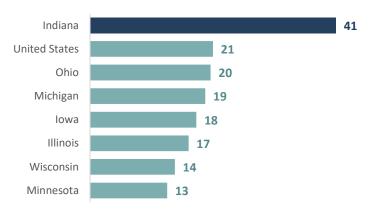
Very low birthweight (VLBW) births are defined as < 1500 grams, low birthweight (LBW) births are defined as < 2500 grams, and preterm births are defined by a gestation < 37 weeks.

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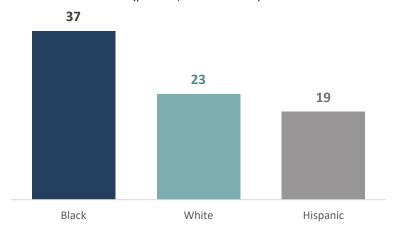
Quick Facts (continued) - Maternal Mortality

The maternal mortality rate in **Indiana** is the *highest* compared to all other **Midwestern states** and the **US**. (Maternal deaths/100,000 births)



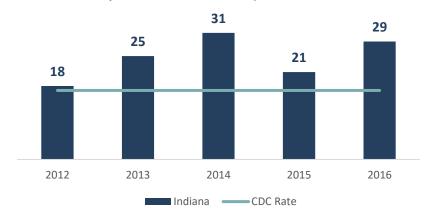
Data Source: St. Joseph County Department of Health - FIMR Program, September 2019

Black mothers had the *highest* rate of pregnancy-related mortality (per 100,000 live births).



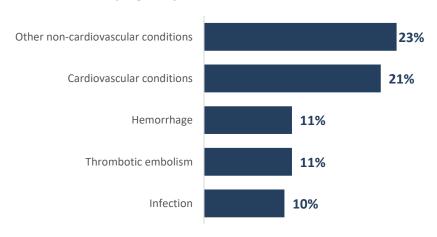
Data Source: CDC's Indiana Pregnancy Mortality Surveillance System Data, 2012-2016

Indiana's pregnancy-related maternal mortality rate has consistently been *higher* than the **CDC** published national rate per 100,000 live births.



Data Source: CDC's Indiana Pregnancy Mortality Surveillance System Data, 2012-2016

Causes of pregnancy-related deaths for Indiana women.



Data Source: CDC's Indiana Pregnancy Mortality Surveillance System Data, 2012-2016

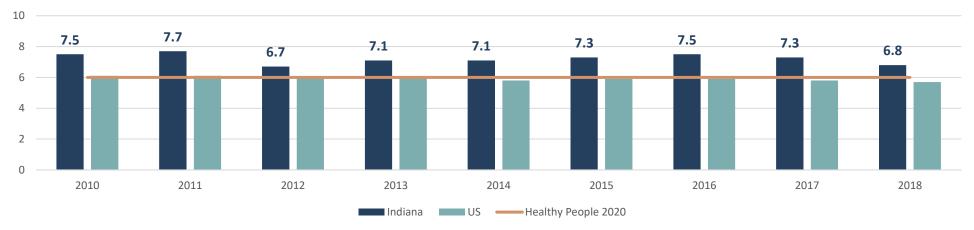
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Definition: Care before, during, or after pregnancy.

Quick Facts (continued) - Infant Mortality

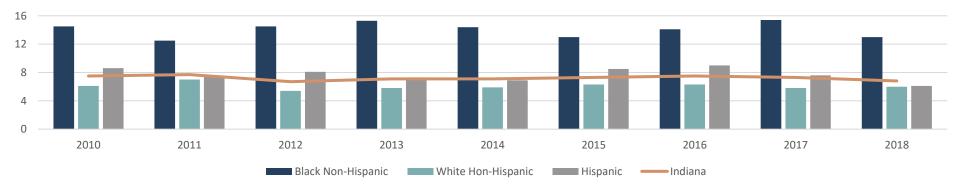
The infant mortality rate in **Indiana** is *lower* than in previous years.

However, Indiana is still above the National Average and above the Healthy People 2020 Goal of 6.0 infant deaths per 1,000 live births.



Data Source: MCH analysis of Vital Records and CDC National Center for Health Statistics, 2010-2018

The infant mortality rate in **Indiana** is the *highest* for **Black Non-Hispanic mothers**.



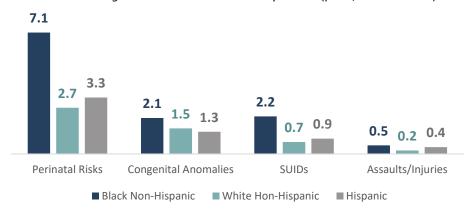
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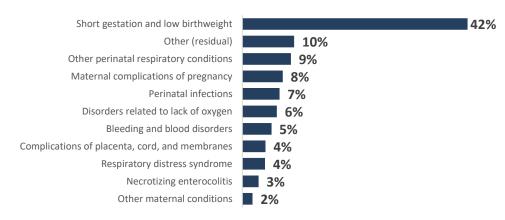
Quick Facts (continued) - Infant Mortality

Black Non-Hispanic mothers have the *highest* infant mortality rates, and perinatal risks are the *highest* cause of infant mortality overall (per 1,000 live births).



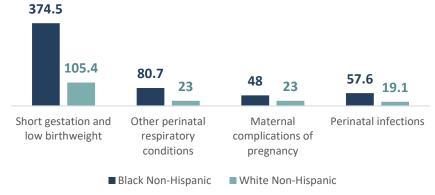
Data Source: MCH analysis of Vital Records, 2018

Perinatal risks are the greatest collective underlying cause of infant death in Indiana, and the most common prenatal risk group is *preterm and low birthweight infants*.



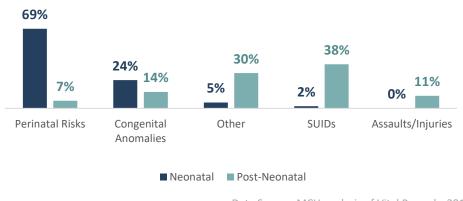
Data Source: MCH analysis of Vital Records, 2014-2018

Black Non-Hispanic infants are 3.5 times *more likely* to die of *prematurity and low* birthweight as compared to **White Non-Hispanic infants** (per 100,000 births).



Data Source: MCH analysis of Vital Records, 2014-2018

The highest cause of infant mortality for **babies 0-27 days old (neonatal)** are perinatal risks. The highest cause of infant mortality for **babies 28-364 days old (post-neonatal)** are Sudden Unexplained Infant Deaths (SUIDs).



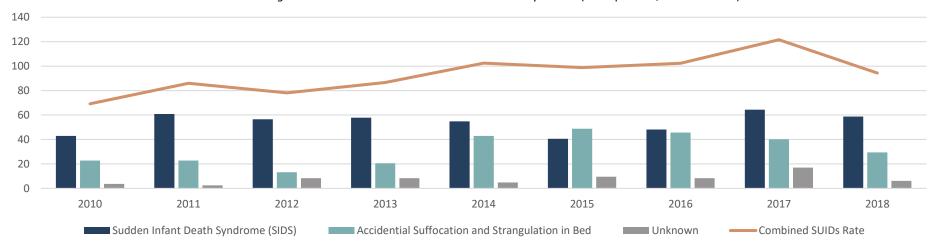
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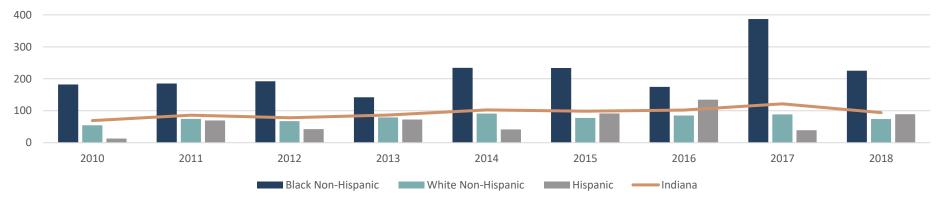
Quick Facts (continued) - Infant Mortality

Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS) makes up the largest portion of **Sudden Unexplained Infant Deaths (SUIDs)**, which is the *highest* cause of infant death after the first 27 days of life (rates per 100,000 live births).



Data Source: MCH analysis of Vital Records, 2010-2018

Black Non-Hispanic babies have the highest rates of Sudden Unexplained Infant Death (SUID) rates per 100,000 live births.

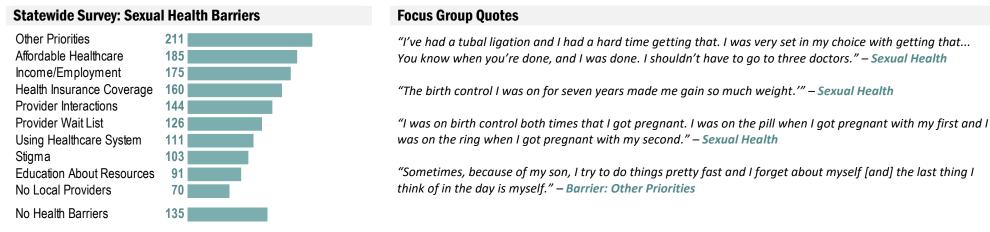


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Sexual Health

Definition: Physical needs related to sexual health, including infertility and sexual organ health (e.g., miscarriages, birth control, menopause).

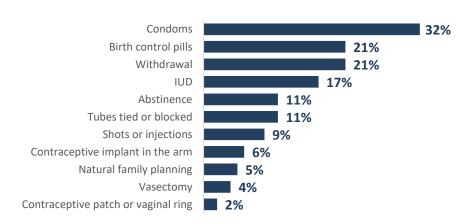


Note: These are the top barriers for respondents that included Sexual Health as a need/challenge. Barriers are not exclusive to Sexual Health.

Quick Facts

- of Indiana women reported using hormonal methods of birth control to prevent pregnancy (ISDH analysis of BRFSS, 2017).
- of *White* Indiana women reported using some form of contraception to prevent pregnancy, which is higher than Black women (33%) (ISDH analysis of BRFSS, 2017).
- of *Black* Indiana women who used a form of contraception reported using a condom, which is higher than White women (20%) (ISDH analysis of BRFSS, 2017).
- of *White* Indiana women who used a form of contraception reported using a hormonal method, which is higher than Black women (36%) (ISDH analysis of BRFSS, 2017).

Birth control methods women and their husband/partner are currently using to prevent pregnancy.



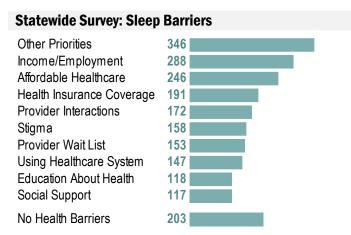
Data Source: Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System, 2017*

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Sleep

Definition: Sleep needs, including regular, adequate sleep.



Focus Group Quotes

"I have extreme insomnia, extreme. I can't sleep."" - Sleep

"I haven't had the time." - Barrier: Other Priorities

"At the time I had no money, no resources." - Barrier: Income/Employment

"I feel there should be more help to buy medicine. If you don't have insurance, you literally have to pay the whole price." – Barrier: Affordable Healthcare

"I've seen a lot of young women that go in for treatment, but the insurance won't pay after the four or five days of [treatment]." – Barrier: Health Insurance Coverage

Note: These are the top barriers for respondents that included Sleep as a need/challenge. Barriers are not exclusive to Sleep.

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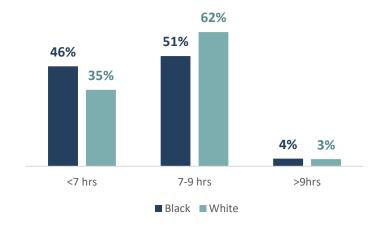
of Indiana women get 7 hours or less of sleep on average each night (BRFSS, 2018).

of *Black* Indiana women get 7 hours or less of sleep on average each night, which is higher than White women (35%) (BRFSS, 2018).

of Indiana women *18-44 years old* get 7 hours or less of sleep on average each night, which is higher than women who are 45 years or older (32%) (BRFSS, 2018).

of Indiana women with less than a high school degree get 7 hours or less of sleep on average each night, which is higher than women who have their high school degree or GED equivalent (39%) and higher than women who have a college degree (30%) (BRFSS, 2018).

60% of women receive optimal sleep each night (7-9 hours). However, White women have a higher percentage of optimal sleep than **Black women**.

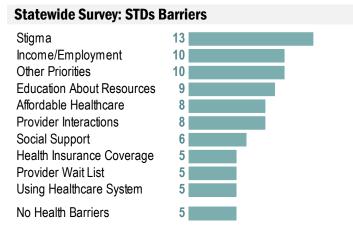


Data Source: Behavior Risk Factor Surveillance System, 2018

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Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STDs)

Definition: Physical needs related to sexually transmitted diseases (STDs).



Focus Group Quotes

"[People need to know] how to protect yourself from STDs and STIs and HIV." – Sexually Transmitted Diseases

"It's a cultural thing too, because so many of our communities of color have this stigma about getting help"

— Barrier: Stigma

"That doctor's office wouldn't even see me anymore because I couldn't pay what I owed them, and the insurance wouldn't cover it." – Barrier: Income/Employment

"I feel like there's not a priority because we're still young. It's that invincible thing. Nothing bad is going to happen to me." – Barrier: Other Priorities

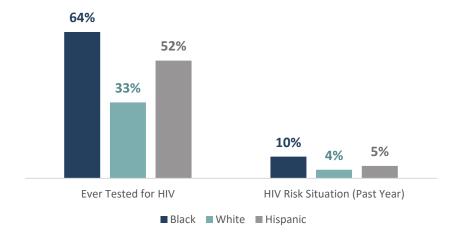
Note: These are the top barriers for respondents that included STDs as a need/challenge. Barriers are not exclusive to STDs.

Quick Facts

- of Indiana women have ever had an HPV test. This is higher for Black women (49%) than for White women (47%). (ISDH analysis of BRFSS, 2018). This has also increased from 2016 (38%) (ISDH analysis of BRFSS, 2016).
- of Indiana women have ever been tested for HIV (ISDH analysis of BRFSS, 2018).

 This is much higher for Black women (64%) than for White women (33%) (ISDH analysis of BRFSS, 2017-2018).
- of Indiana women reported being in at least one HIV risk situation (e.g., injecting non-prescribed drugs, treatment for an STD, or giving/receiving money or drugs in exchange for sex) in the year before the BRFSS 2018 survey (ISDH analysis of BRFSS, 2018).
- of Indiana women diagnosed with an STD were diagnosed with Chlamydia, followed by Gonorrea (48%) and Syphilis (18%) (ISDH Division of HIV/STD/VH, 2019).
 - per 100,000 Indiana women were living with HIV/AIDS as of 2018. This rate has increased from 2015 (rate of 71) (ISDH Division of HIV/STD/VH, 2015-2018).

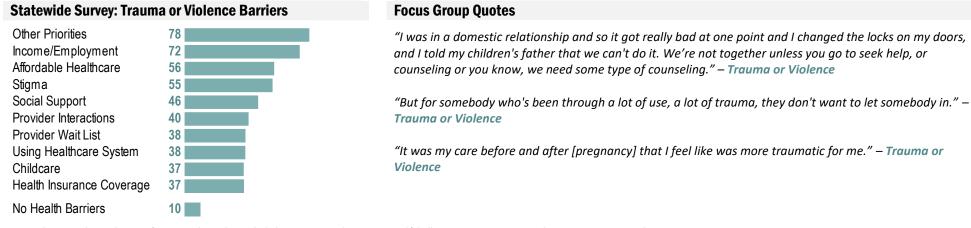
A larger percentage of **Black women** have ever been tested for HIV and have also reported being in at least one HIV risk situation within the past year.



Data Source: ISDH analysis of Behavior Risk Factor Surveillance System, 2017 & 2018 Combined Data

Trauma or Violence

Definition: Experiences of trauma or violence, including domestic violence, bullying, or cyberbullying.



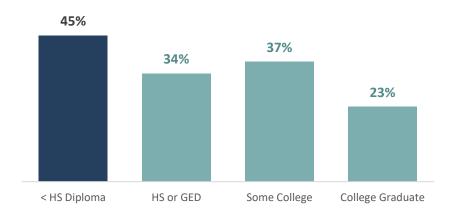
Note: These are the top barriers for respondents that included Trauma or Violence as a need/challenge. Barriers are not exclusive to Trauma or Violence.

Quick Facts

- of Indiana women have parents who are separated or divorced (ISDH analysis of BRFSS, 2018).
- of Indiana women have lived with someone who was an alcoholic when they were a child. This is higher for women with less than a high school diploma (34%) (ISDH analysis of BRFSS, 2018).
- of Indiana women were touched sexually by an adult or anyone at least 5 years older than them, more than once, when they were a child (ISDH analysis of BRFSS, 2018).
 - of Indiana women said that someone physically hurt them during their most recent pregnancy (PRAMS, 2017*).
 - of Indiana women said that their husband/partner tried to control their daily activities during their most recent pregnancy (PRAMS, 2017*).

*PRAMS, 2017: Estimates based on data with very low response rates (below 55%) may be less accurate or precise, and should be interpreted with caution.

A larger percentage of women with less than a high school diploma have parents who are separated or divorced, compared to all other educational attainment levels.



Data Source: ISDH analysis of Behavior Risk Factor Surveillance System, 2018

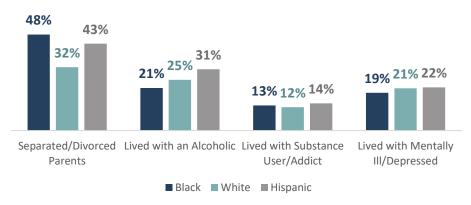
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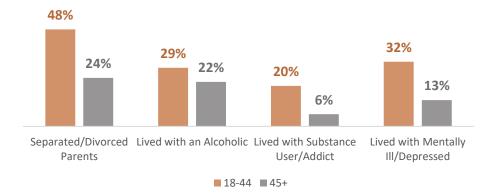
Trauma or Violence (continued)

Definition: Experiences of trauma or violence, including domestic violence, bullying, or cyberbullying.

Quick Facts (continued)

A higher percentage of **Black women** and **Hispanic women** have divorced parents than **White women**. A greater percentage of **women 18-44 years old** have experienced adverse childhood experiences, including having divorced parents or living with someone who was depressed, mentally ill, or suicidal.

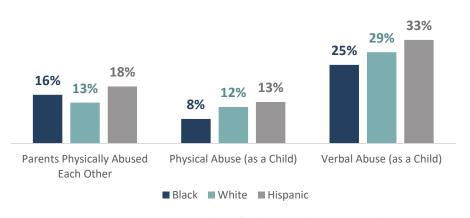


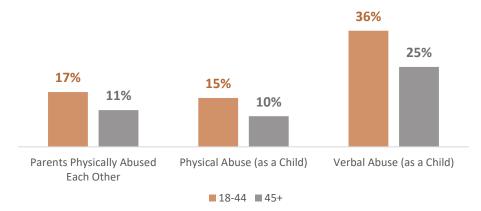


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A greater percentage of women 18-44 years old also reported receiving or observing physically and verbally abusive behaviors more than once during their childhood.





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